



East Peckham Primary School

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Newsletter

Term 1 Week 4

Friday 26th September 2025

Dear parents and carers,

It has been quite a musical week this week at East Peckham Primary! On Tuesday we were visited by Create Music, who Mrs Richardson has organised to join us every Tuesday to do 1:1 lessons with children as well as whole class lessons with Years 3 and Year 5. In these sessions the children will be learning to play the ukulele - such a fantastic opportunity that I wish I had been afforded when I was at school. Laura Jones, the Drumming Mum, continues to join us this term on Mondays and Thursdays, where her popularity has required for us to find 2 afternoons a week for her to come in. All lessons are now based in our sound-proofed music room - which has been paid for by profits raised from last year's fundraising events. If you would like your child to participate in either of these additional music sessions, then please do contact the office who can pass your details on to the providers. We are also in the preparation stages of Young Voices again this year, which although the event is not until February 2026, Miss Ray in the office is busy booking tickets and transport



and getting final numbers for t-shirts and spectator tickets, so please sign up quickly if you have not already.

Well done to all of the children for having a

pro-active approach to attendance since term began; we will be announcing the winner of our attendance prize in next Friday's assembly. Please can I also take this opportunity to share a gentle reminder that the office entrance is for children arriving late to school only - all children should be coming in through the main gates from the playing field, with the Key Stage 2 children also allowed to enter via the small gate directly from Pound Road. Many thanks for your understanding with this. Wishing you a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have been the start of a positive change:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Emy SN	Gabriela FN	Rosa T	Gianna S	Ralph S	Summer C	Sofia P

Many thanks to **George R** for joining me to present assembly today.

Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are very important and we have class targets of 96%+. Please make sure that the children attend every day to ensure their class can achieve their targets. Holidays during term-time will not be authorised, this includes those where we are notified both before and after they occur.

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96%	100%	96%	94%	95%	96%	97%
😊	😊	😊	😞	😞	😊	😊

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations for children in **Years R, 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6** will be on **Thursday 16th October**.

Parent Consultations for children in **Year 3** will be on **Wednesday 8th October**.

Apologies for the inconvenience that spreading the meetings across 2 days may cause.

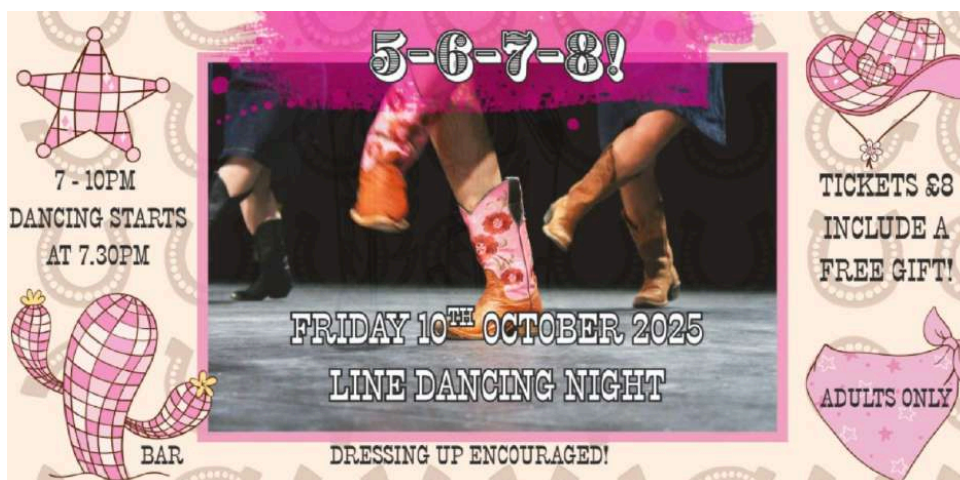
The parent consultation slots are open to book on Arbor. To book your 10-minute slot, please click on 'Parent Consultations'. You will then see 2 options - one for your child's class teacher and the other for Miss Worrall, our SENCO. **All parents must make an appointment with their child's class teacher only**, but not everyone needs to meet with Miss Worrall. However, please click Miss Worrall's option if you are a parent of a child who has already had SEND support in school and require a quick update. Please take care to click on the correct option. Please only click on one time-slot for each meeting and **if it appears that the time-slot cannot be clicked, this is because it has already been booked**.

Please be aware that Parent Consultations are protected time-slots when teachers are directed to meet with parents. We provide a window of 2pm-8pm to do our best to cater for parents with other commitments. If a parent cannot attend in this window, then it may not be possible to schedule an alternative meeting time. An alternative time to meet is at the discretion of the individual teacher, and the school reserves the right to refuse, especially if inability to attend is linked to unauthorised school absence.

Line Dancing Fundraiser

Dust off your cowboy hats and boots and join us for, what promises to be, a very fun fundraiser! No dance experience necessary, just a group of friends with a great sense of humour. Each ticket costs £8, where you will also receive a small line-dancing-themed gift on entry. There will be a reasonably priced bar (so please do not bring your own), and a few little activities to do in-between the dances. This will be a great way for new parents to get to know each other - while

raising money for the school too. If you would like to join us, please purchase a ticket via Arbor. Please note; this is an adult-only event, so remember to organise babysitters!



Year 6 Responsibilities

I would like to introduce you to our Reading Champions! Mrs Richardson reflected on our librarian roles and explained that she has plans this year for them to do so much more, so has uplevelled them to Reading Champions! This year their role will see them leading parts of the Friday celebration assembly regarding reading challenges, making recommendations in the library, supporting Mrs Richardson and Mrs Sinden to organise Book Week, as well as so many other important roles.

We are so proud of our Year 6s as they embrace their responsibilities - and we need to say a huge thank you to the staff who are taking leading roles in supporting these children to have such an impact on the school community. It is important that we empower our children to understand the difference that they make on the world around them - and to ensure the difference that they make is always positive. We could not be prouder of the enthusiasm that they have shown towards their roles already.



Responsibility	Lead Teacher	Responsibilities include
School Captains	Mrs Elliott	Being role models and supporting the school with leading prospective parent tours
Sports Captains	Mrs Askew	Leading inter-house events and encouraging active participation in sport
School Council Heads	Mrs Elliott	Working with the School Leadership Team to make improvements, including monitoring the School Improvement Plan.
Hall Monitors	Mrs Duffield	Ensuring our shared spaces are ready for parent events, daily assemblies and ensuring lessons can go ahead as planned.
Peer Mediators	Mr Atkins	Supporting at playtime to encourage positive play, and to apply restorative justice to potential conflict
Wellbeing Champions	Mrs Smith	Creating a safe space in the Courtyard at play time for children to use, and sharing coaching techniques taught by Mrs Smith
Eco-Warriors	Mrs Sutcliffe	To ensure the school adheres to their Climate Change and Sustainability Plan, leading recycling projects and reminding children to close doors and turn off lights!
Reading Champions	Mrs Richardson	Supporting reading across the school, working with the English Leads to organise Book Week and celebrating weekly in assembly.
Sparks	Mr Atkins	Maintaining the schools technology, and working with teachers to ensure online safety.
Assembly Lead	Mrs Elliott	Leading Friday assemblies, including maintenance of the attendance and celebration boards to share with the school.

Special Menu for Census Day

TASTE OF GERMANY THEME DAY THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER 2025

BRATWURST HOT DOGS {1,14}

VEGAN HOT DOG {1}

PRETZEL FRIES {1}

SAUERKRAUT AND PEAS

APPLE STRUDEL WITH HOME MADE ICE CREAM {1,9}

PLEASE NOTE FRIDAYS MEAL WILL BE CHICKEN SHWARMA

Emma's Kitchen
Cooking With Love

New Starters 2026

Although we have only just started September 2025 we are already preparing for September 2026! Please find below our flyer for the open mornings and evenings, which has also been shared on Facebook, so please do share with local groups if you are able. If you are an existing parent, please also sign up for a tour if you would like to have a tour as the school is likely to have changed since you first looked around! As you may be aware, siblings have a higher priority for admissions than other applicants, so if you are a parent with a child due to attend in September 2026 please email the office on office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk and request a 'Registering Interest Form' so that we can ensure your child is prioritised as a sibling.



Visit East Peckham Primary!

Mornings from 9 until 12: Mon 7th July, Tues 30th Sept,
Wed 15th Oct, Thur 27th Nov

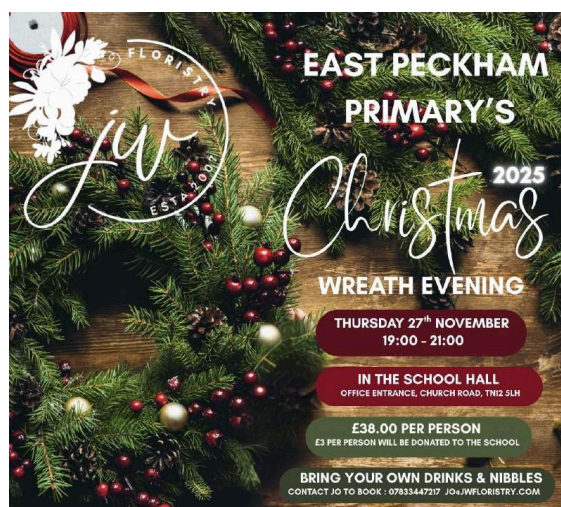
Evenings from 5 until 8: Tues 14th Oct, Wed 26th Nov

For children due to start **Reception in September 2026**, to book an appointment for one of our Open Mornings or Evenings, please email us at office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk or call us on 01622 871268.



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Wreath Making Workshop - in partnership with JW Floristry



We are very pleased to share that with only 90 days until Christmas (!), JW Floristry are again supporting the school, by making a donation from every participant in this wreath making workshop. Details are on the flyer or contact Jo directly via jo@jwfloristry.com - and this always proves to be a popular event and it is open to the general public, so do sign up before all of the spaces go!

As with all events, please be courteous of our neighbours when parking and when leaving the site - we will also be opening the school car park for you to use, to ease congestion on the side roads, however please choose to walk if possible. There will not be a bar at this event, so please do bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Reminder: Early Reading Meeting

On Tuesday 30th September, Mrs Richardson will be delivering an 'Early Reading Meeting' for Reception and Year 1 parents. She will be sharing all of the details of our Phonics Scheme ([Little Wandle](#)), and crucially how you can support your child with reading at home. If you are able to come along, please email the [office](#), stating if you can attend the 2:45pm-3:25pm meeting, or the 5:00pm-5:40pm meeting. Notes will also be sent out after the meeting. Please note that a lot of the content is similar to last year, so Year 1 parents are welcome to join for a refresher if they have already attended.

Reminder: Behaviour Workshops for Parents

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Understanding Your Child's Behaviour

Tuesday 14th October 9.30-11.30am

We have two upcoming parent workshops, led by the NHS Emotional Wellbeing Team. The first is Understanding Your Child's Behaviour, on Tuesday 14th October, 09:30am - 11:30am. The second is Understanding ADHD in Children, on Thursday 13th November, 09:30am - 11:30am. To sign up please email office@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk marking the email for the attention of Mrs Smith, Pastoral Lead.

Reminder: Harvest Assembly - Friday 3rd October

On Friday 3rd October we would like to invite our parents to our Harvest Assemblies, where every class will be doing a short activity to present, such as singing, a reading or sharing artwork. We will be hosting 2 assemblies so that we can hopefully have enough space to fit everyone into the hall! **The content of both assemblies will be the same**, with the exception of the Reception class only joining the 9:00am assembly. Therefore, to stagger parent attendance, please can we ask that if you have children in YR/1/2 that you attend the 9:00am assembly, and if you have children in Y3/4/5/6 that you only attend the 1:00pm assembly (and obviously if you have children in both, please choose which assembly to attend). Also, if you are unable to attend then please do not worry as we will share photographs in the newsletter that follows. Additionally, as is traditional in a Harvest Assembly, if you are able please could you send the children in with donations of food, preferably those with long shelf-lives, such as tins and packets. We will be waiting on the gate to collect donations as the children arrive.



Food shared with Love

Reminder: Year 6 Horse Racing Fundraiser



The Year 6 team have started the year with a very exciting fundraising idea - a horse race! We will be turning the playground into a race course and we will be joined by 3 spectacular thoroughbreds, who we have re-named Dashing Duffield, Blazing Braybrook and Ambling Atkins for the event. Slips have been sent home inviting you to donate £1 to bet (donate) on one of the horses for the event. You can also bet (donate) via Arbor. Once the race is finished, we will then select a winner at random from those who bet on (donated via) the winning horse - where there will be a spectacular horse-themed prize! You can always place more than 1 bet to

increase your chances of winning - and you can bet on different horses too! All proceeds from this event will be going to the school. The race itself will be taking place straight after school at 2:00pm on Friday 3rd October, so we would encourage everyone who is picking up to stay behind to watch - it promises to be fun! Apologies in advance if it causes a delay to end of day dismissal.

Please note: As with everything at EPS, we like to create a bit of fun for the children so things are not always as they seem, so please do not be alarmed about animal welfare in this case... but similarly, please do not speculate about the event with the children, including the Year 6s themselves - and I would recommend that you do join us from 1:55pm to get a good spot to watch!

Reminder: Attendance Prize for Term 1

We are very pleased to share that we have been gifted 2 complimentary tickets to [Extreme Robots](#) at Mote Park, Maidstone in October and we will be offering these as attendance prizes this term. The event takes place on the weekend of the 11th/12th October, so we will announce the winner on Friday 3rd October - keep this weekend



free in case your child is the winner! If you cannot make it then please do pass on to someone else - it is too good an opportunity to waste! A reminder about how our attendance prizes work - every child who attends for a full week from Monday to Friday will have their name entered into the draw to win. If a child is off, they will still have a chance of re-entering the following week, but obviously the more full weeks of attendance mean more entries into the draw! Good luck - and many thanks to Extreme Robots for their kind donation - and if you want to buy tickets you can get 20% using the details on the flyer at the end of the newsletter.

Reminder: PE

Please find below the dates and times for PE:

	Term 1
	PE
Year R	Formal PE begins later in the year.
Year 1	Monday (indoor) and Tuesday (indoor)
Year 2	Monday (outdoor) and Thursday (indoor)
Year 3	Wednesday (outdoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 4	Tuesday (outdoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 5	Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)
Year 6	Monday (indoor) and Wednesday (outdoor)

Reminder: FOSIL - FOrest School Inspired Learning

Please make sure that your child brings in their complete outdoor learning clothing for the dates below. More information about the correct clothing required can be found on the [school website](#).

Week beginning:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
29th September 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
6th October 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
13th October 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
End of Term 1 - Start of Term 2			
3rd November 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
10th November 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
17th November 2025	Year 3 / Year 5 FOSIL	Year 1 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School
24th November 2025	Year 4 / Year 6 FOSIL	Year 2 FOSIL*	Year R Forest School

Year 1 and Year 2 will now be collected from Peckham Palace in the playground after the FOSIL session to avoid congestion at pick-up time. We will review this, but thank you for giving it a try.

Dates for your diary

New dates added are in red. More information about the events will be shared nearer the time.

Friday 26th September	Own clothes day for Year 2 only - Library Challenge winners	Year 2
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Tuesday 30th September	Open Morning	Whole school
Tuesday 30th September	Mrs Richardson's Early Reading Presentation @ 2:45pm and 5:00pm	Year R and Year 1 parents
Friday 3rd October	Harvest Assembly - all children will be presenting the same content in both assemblies, except for Reception who will only be in the 9:00 assembly.	9:00 - Parents of children in YR, 1 and 2 1:00 - Parents of children in Y3, 4, 5 and 6
Friday 3rd October	Horse Racing Fundraiser @1:55 in the school field - led by Year 6	Whole school and parents welcome
Friday 3rd October	Deadline to sign up for the flu vaccine	Whole school
Wednesday 8th October	Year 3 Parent Consultations - please sign up via Arbor	Year 3 parents
Friday 10th October	Line Dancing Fundraiser	All welcome
Tuesday 14th October	Understanding Your Child's Behaviour Workshop @ 09:30am-11:30am. Please email to confirm attendance.	All parents welcome
Thursday 16th October	Parent Consultations - please sign up via Arbor	All parents except for Year 3 parents (unless booking Senco appt)
Friday 17th October	End of Term 1	Whole school
Wednesday 29th October	Start of Term 2	Whole school
Thursday 6th November	Science and Geography Workshop in school - please make payment before 31st October via Arbor	Year 4 and Year 5
Friday 7th November	Remembrance Assembly - led by Year 6 - @9:00	Year 6 parents
Friday 7th November	Remembrance Service outside Holy Trinity Church	All welcome
Thursday 13th November	Understanding ADHD in Children Workshop @ 09:30am-11:30am. Please email to confirm attendance.	All parents welcome
Friday 14th November	Children in Need Fundraiser (<i>Wear something spotty with your school uniform</i>) - led by Year R	Whole school

Thursday 27th November	Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - please sign up via email to jo@jwfloristry.com	All parents welcome
Saturday 13th December	Christmas Fair	Whole school

Designated Safeguarding Team

Mr Atkins - Mrs Elliott - Miss Ray - Mrs Sinden - Miss Worrall

Please notify any of the team if you have any concerns via dsl@eastpeckhamprimry.org.uk

Contact us

Headteacher - **Mrs Kate Elliott**
 Chair of Governors - **Mrs Katie Bennett**

<https://www.east-peckham.kent.sch.uk/>
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East Peckham Primary School Workshop

Understanding Your Child's Behaviour
Tuesday 14th October 9.30-11.30am

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Are you currently experiencing difficulties with your child at home? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to enjoy your time more with your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding and communicating with your child. It will help you consider factors which influence behaviour. We also discuss techniques that you can use at home for behaviours that you feel are difficult to manage.

If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:
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TERM 1 W/C 8th Sept - W/C 17th Oct (6 sessions)
TERM 2 W/C 27th Oct - W/C 12th Dec (7 sessions)

at East Peckham Primary School
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